



TO BE REPLACED— This brushy section of Lake Creek channel shown before construction of 7,500 linear feet of pipeline will soon take new look.

Construction to Begin On Lake Creek System

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Construction of 7,500 linear feet of 24-inch concrete irrigation pipe at an estimated cost of nearly \$45,000 will soon begin on the Lake Creek Irrigation system, according to Sherman Giles, Chairman, Wasatch ASC County Committee. "Cost-sharing of \$4,000 from ASCS county funds and \$3,000 from the State ASC Committee, or a total of \$7,000, was approved on this system under the Agricultural Conservation Program," the Chairman said.

EVEN WITH THE Government's cost-share individual farmer contributions will still make up the bulk of the expected project cost. To finance the project the Lake Creek group obtained a loan for the balance of the expected cost from the Utah Water Resource Board.

These producers are of the opinion that the investment will be worth every penny because the increased water supply made available by the concrete pipeline will increase production of crops, consisting mostly of alfalfa, with some barley and pas-

ture.

THIS GROUP OF FARMERS own three or four small reservoirs higher up in Lake Creek which supplement the late summer water supply. Their big problem was losing so much water during delivery. The Soil Conservation Service, providing technical assistance on the project, estimated that 28 percent of the water supply was lost along the ditch channel from the reservoir to the fields. They estimated that this pipeline would save 1,340 acre feet of water per irrigation season.

THERE ARE 44 FARM families who will be benefited by this conservation project. Increasing their income by about \$10.00 per acre through increased production is an investment that soon will be paid off manyfold.

Water housed in this concrete pipe will now speed quietly and swiftly to the delivery point some 2 miles below. It will supply irrigation water for 2,800 acres of land, and provide new hope for farmers under this system.

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